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The First West Florida District Baptist Association convened in its 67th Annual Session together with its Auxiliaries, and held with the Union Baptist church, Molino, Florida, Rev. W. M. Young, Pastor.

10:00 A. M. the Association was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. M. S. Young. Devotion was conducted by messengers from Trinity Baptist church, Pensacola and and Pilgrim Lodge, Century, Fla. After which the meeting was turned back into the hands of the Moderator. The Secretary then read the program which was adopted with the following changes:

1. That the Trustees would pay \$2.00 instead of \$5.00.
2. That Rev. F. L. Daniels would alternate to Rev. Clausell instead of Rev. H. Joseph.
3. That Rev. C. L. Austin would serve on Memorial committee instead of Rev. E. V. Wilson, after which the program was adopted as a whole. Committee on Enrollment proceeded to enroll messengers. After a partial report from said committee the meeting was announced in order. Rev. Bennie Anderson was then presented by the Moderator to teach the Bible lesson. Rev. Anderson expressed his appreciation to the committee for high honors conferred on him. He selected for his subject—Christ teaching about God. He was very brief but quite interesting. He laid much stress on love.

After brief comments Rev. Webb accompanied by Rev. Leggett ascended the rostrum. Rev. Leggett read for scripture lesson the 15th chapter of St. John, then sang, I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord, followed with prayer by Rev. R. E. Cotton. Rev. Leggett then in fitting words presented Rev. Webb to deliver the Introductory sermon.

Rev. Webb rose and thanked the committee for the honor that had been conferred upon him; he announced his text from the fourth chapter of St. Mark, 40th verse—"And he said unto them, why are ye so fearful; how is it that ye have no faith? Subject: We are passing to the Other Side.

Rev. Webb delivered a powerful message, and closed with singing, Hold to God's Unchanging Hand, which was sung with the spirit. The meeting was turned back into the hands of the Moderator. After brief comments, the finance committee came forward and made appeal; collection was \$2.62. Adjourned for dinner.

Called to order by 1st Vice Moderator, Rev. J. O. Dix-



on. Short song service conducted by Music Director, after which Rev. Geo. O. Sumner was presented to teach the Bible lesson. Rev. Sumner came forward and expressed his appreciation to the association for the space allotted him on the program. He used for his subject, The Purpose of the Bible in the World. He used several outlines, and made it plain, that the Bible, if you know it, would guide you through all walks of life.

After brief comments an offering was taken for Rev. Sumner, amount \$2.15. A motion then prevailed that the \$2.85 be supplemented to make it \$5.00 and presented to Rev. Sumner.

Next was report of officers. Secretary, Treasurer, and Corresponding Sec'y rendered their reports and on motion same was adopted. Reporter read he report; same was adopted. The District Missionary read his report; it was moved and seconded that same be approved, and recommendation turned over to committee on recommendation. Motion carried.

Statistician rendered his report; on motion same was adopted. The Annual Address of the Moderator was then in order, and a motion prevailed that Rev. Sumner would preside during the election of officers. Motion further prevailed that the rules be suspended and the Moderator be reelected to succeed him self before he read his annual address.

Rev. Young then came forward and delivered his annual address which was very interesting. It was moved and seconded that the Moderator's address be adopted and recommendations turned over to the committee on recommendations. Motion carried. Motion prevailed that the rules be suspended and all officers be re-elected.

The finance committee then came forward and made their appeal; collection 30c. Committee on enrollment made a partial report. same was approved. Committee on new bodies made their report, reporting the following new bodies: Little Rock Baptist church, Pensacola, Fla., Rev. M. Johnson, Pastor; Brother Simon Harris, Clerk. Bethel Baptist church, Barrineau Park, Fla., Rev. Walter Richardson, Pastor. On motion said churches were accepted and enrolled as members of the association.

Adjournment; benediction.

7:45 P. M.—Called to order by the Vice Moderator,

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Rev. J. O. Dixon. The meeting opened in an informal way for the purpose of listening to the proposition of the L. and R. Railroad Co. on transportation to the National Baptist Convention. Mr. Burke and Mr. Kelly, the ticket agents were present, and outlined the proposition which was satisfactory. A motion prevailed that said offer be accepted. Motion further prevailed that Rev. J. O. Dixon would act as chairman on arrangements and Rev. J. A. Clausell act as secretary. Mr. Burke contributed \$2.00 and Mr. Kelly \$1.00 to the association.

8:00 P. M.—Meeting was called to order by the Moderator. Short song service was conducted by the Music Director, after which the trustees rendered their report; on motion report was adopted and recommendations referred to committee on recommendations. The following Trustees were elected. The following Trustees were elected Rev. J. A. Clausell, Bro. Russell Straughn and Rev. A. P. Lee. The choir of Union Baptist church, Molino rendered a short, but interesting program.

After brief comment, Rev. T. E. Huntley accompanied by Rev. J. W. Jackson ascended the rostrum. Rev. Jackson rose and asked the Moderator to present the speaker of the hour. Rev. Young in fitting words presented Rev. Huntley to deliver the educational sermon. Rev. Huntley rose and announced his text from Acts 8th chapter, 30-31 verses — And Philip ran thither to him and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, understandest thou what thou readest? And he said, How can I except some man should guide me?

Rev. Huntley brought out some beautiful thoughts on the knowledge of the Bible. The message was inspiring and followed by a soul stirring prayer by Rev. J. W. Williams. Sister Lovett sang a solo—Its My Desire—which was in keeping with the message. The finance committee came forward and made their appeal. Meeting then adjourned; benediction by the Moderator.

Saturday, 10 A. M.—Called to order by the Moderator. Devotion conducted by messengers of White Lily, Barth, St. James, Olive, and St. Luke, Cantonment. After which the meeting was in the hands of the Moderator and announced in order.

Friday's journal was read and on motion same was adopted. \$6.00 was raised in addition to educational



rally. Rev. J. A. Clausell accompanied by Rev. F. L. Daniels ascended the rostrum. Rev. Daniel had the congregation to stand and repeat the 23d Psalms, followed with singing, Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone.

Rev. Daniel then in brief, presented Rev. Clausell to deliver the Doctrinal sermon. Rev. Clausell rose and expressed his appreciation to the committee for the honor of delivering such an important message on the program. He announced his text: Upon this rock will I build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Subject, The Church. Rev. Clausell stressed the necessity of the church getting back to the old landmark; he closed with singing, When You have Given Your Best Service. Prayer followed by Rev. W. M. Counts. Then was sung, I Shall not be Moved, which was sung with the spirit. After brief comments the finance committee reported \$41.50 from Women's District Convention; \$59.73 from S. S. Convention and \$10.86 from B. Y. P. U. Convention for education. On motion report was adopted with a vote of thanks.

Committee on education rendered their report. On motion same was adopted. Committee on recommendations read their report. On motion that said recommendations be adopted by items: Recommendation No. 1 was recommending that No. 1 be adopted with the state and national representation expense be included with association expense. It was moved and seconded that No. 1 be adopted. Substitute motion offered that said motion be tabled; substitute carried. No. 2—That an extra session be appointed to raise necessary or to meet such deficits that might occur. On motion same was adopted.

No. 3—That the Moderator call a meeting of all Pastors of the District with the Executive Board and Trustees, for the purpose of discussing a possibility of opening the school in some form by October 4th. On motion same was adopted.

No. 4 was referred to the Trustees to be worked out.

No. 5—That beginning with 1939 that each delegate beginning with the B. Y. P. U. and all other Auxiliaries including the association will pay 50c for meal tickets at each annual meeting. On motion same was adopted. It was then recommended that \$50.00 be provided on the completion of Rev. Bennie Anderson's college course, with the understanding that same be left in the hands of the Trustees for distribution. On motion same was adopted.

Motion then prevailed that the Trustees be empowered to issue a check for \$10.00 to the Florida Memorial College as a donation. Adjourned.

Saturday, 2:30 P. M.—Meeting was called to order by the Moderator. A short song service was conducted by Music Director, then repeating the 23rd Psalm, followed with the Lord's Prayer. The congregation then joined in singing, My Hope is Built on Nothing Less. The Moderator then called for Committee reports. Committee on Constitution made their report; on motion same was adopted. Committee on Time and Place made their report, recommending that the next session of the association be held with the Trinity Baptist church, Pensacola. On motion same was adopted. Committee on temperance made their report and on motion same was adopted.

Rev. W. M. Counts, ex-Moderator of the Progressive Association was presented. Rev. Counts spoke very encouragingly of our work in the district. After brief comments an offering of \$2.25 was taken for Rev. Counts. The finance committee reported, reporting \$464.98; on motion same was adopted. Then the committee on disbursement made their report and on motion same was adopted. Motion then prevailed that the balance be applied on new Minutes. A communication was read from Mrs. M. B. Carter appealing for an offering. \$2.00 was given. Communication from the Secretary of the National Convention was read; same was referred to the Executive Board. Adjourned.

Sunday, 9:30 A. M.—Sunday School Mass Meeting conducted by Rev. J. W. Jackson and Dea. J. P. Blake. Classes were at study for 30 minutes. The lesson was beautifully taught. Collection \$3.50 was turned over to the Sunday School.

11:00 A. M.—Devotion conducted by Deacon John Webb and Dea. F. L. Cotton, after which, Rev. M. S. Young accompanied by Rev. W. M. Young ascended the rostrum. Rev. W. M. Young lined No. 48 which was sung with the spirit. Prayer by Rev. Z. E. English. After a selection Rev. W. M. Young then presented the Moderator to deliver the closing sermon of the session. Rev. Young rose and announced his text from the 11th chapter of St. Luke and 4th verse—And forgive us our sins, for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us.



Subject: Christian Forgiveness. Rev. Young dwelt on forgiveness and delivered an impressive message. He closed with singing, I was Glad when He said unto me, Let us go into the House of the Lord. Followed with prayer by Rev. Borden. The finance committee then made their appeal. Offering \$8.10. Benediction.

Sunday, 3:00 P. M.—Called to order by the Moderator. Song service conducted by Music Director, after which the Secretary called the roll of officers to be installed. Rev. Clausell was selected in the absence of Rev. Sumner to install the officers. Rev. Clausell came forward and beautifully instructed and installed the officers, after which an offering was taken for decrepit ministers. Amount \$12.00 and was disbursed as follows: Rev. Z. A. Watkins \$3.00; Rev. C. A. White \$3.00; Rev. L. Hawthorn \$3.00; Rev. H. Joseph \$3.00.

Rev. Clausell then gave an outline to the Pastors pertaining to the rates and transportation to the National Baptist Convention. The Moderator then announced that the Executive Board would meet Tuesday after the Second Sunday in July. The Memorial Service was conducted by Rev. C. L. Austin and Rev. J. S. Johnson, which was very impressive.

Resolution of thanks was read by Sister Ethel Rivers. The Association adjourned to convene with the Trinity Baptist church in 1939.

REV. M. S. YOUNG, Moderator  
S. E. JOHNSON, Secretary

### **Resolution Of Thanks**

Whereas, we have been so royally entertained by the good pastor, officers and members of the Union Baptist church, Molino, Be it resolved that we, the officers and members of the First West Florida District Baptist Association, tender a rising vote of thanks to the entire membership of this church, for the splendid way they entertained the Association; Be it further resolved that we shall ever remember and pray God's blessings upon them.

Respectfully,

(Mrs.) Ethel Rivers, Cor. Sec'y

**Committee On Time and Place**

Molino, Fla., June 11, 1938

To the Moderator, Officers and Members of the First

West Florida District Association—The Committee on Time and Place beg leave to make the following report: We have two applications: Pilgrim Lodge Baptist church, Century, Fla., Rev. G. W. Lovett, Pastor, and Trinity Baptist church, Pensacola, Rev. D. W. Webb, pastor.

Committee: Rev. J. T. Thomas, Bro. M. J. Giles, Mrs. I. C. Byrd, Dea. W. L. Simpson, S. J. Baker, Sec'y, Rev. R. E. Cotton, Chairman.

### Committee on Temperance

To the Moderator, Officers and Members of the First West Florida District Baptist Association—We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to make our report:

1. Whereas intemperance is destroying the moral, mental and physical resources of our human bodies, and
2. Whereas intemperance has had its evil influences in the past, we therefore highly endorse any move that this body shall undertake, as far as it shall regard temperance.

Respectfully,

Committee: Rev. S. L. Leggett, Chairman. Sister N. Davis, Rev. Bennie Anderson, Mrs. Roberta Young, Dea. Sam Hicks, Dea. Felix Cotton.

### Committee On Education

Molino, Fla., June 10, 1938

To the Moderator, Officers and Members of the First West Florida District Baptist Association—We, your Committee on Education beg leave to make our report:

1. We are mindful of the fact that education is one of the greatest needs of our people today—for people to be strong and powerful, it is necessary for them to be educated in all principles and training because it is said of old, that education is power and to have power, we must be educated.

2. We, your Committee find the kind of education which we emphasize and especially speaking is that of Christian Education which we so sadly are neglecting in our world today.

To educate our people from a Christian Standpoint, we must possess the proper means and be conscientiously concerned that some good may be done.

Respectfully,

Committee: Rev. L. Hawthorne, Chairman, J. W.



## ENROLLMENT

Mt. Olive—		Mt. Pilgrim, Milton—	
Rev. J. A. Clausell	1.00	Rev. J. W. Jackson	1.00
Mrs. Ethel Rivers	1.00	Mrs. F. D. Young	1.00
Mrs. V. Prather	1.00		
Mrs. N. Davis	1.00	Total	\$2.00
Mrs. J. M. Simmons	1.00	Morning Star, Pensacola—	
Mrs. S. J. Baker	1.00	Rev. S. L. Leggett	1.00
		Rev. C. C. Blackwell	1.00
Total	\$6.00	Sis. I. C. Byrd	1.00
Union Baptist, Pensacola—			
Rev. J. O. Dixon	1.00	Total	\$3.00
Mrs. C. F. Dixon	1.00	John the Baptist, Pensacola	
Mrs. Carrie Cary	1.00	Rev. Bennie Anderson	1.00
Mrs. Pasey Echo	1.00	Dea. Felix Cotton	1.00
Rev. L. Hawthorne	1.00	Bro. Russell Straughn	1.00
Mrs. Emily Davis	1.00	Sis. Evelyn Grayson	1.00
Mrs. Lelia Lyons	1.00	Sis. Mary Hardy	1.00
Rev. J. L. Louman	1.00		
		Total	\$5.00
Total	\$8.00	Mt. Zion, Pensacola—	
Trinity, Pensacola—		Rev. T. E. Huntley	1.00
Rev. D. W. Webb	1.00	Prof. M. N. M. Bennett	1.00
Dea. W. L. Simpson	1.00	Bro. S. E. Johnson	1.00
Sis. E. J. Harris	1.00	Sis. E. R. Waters	1.00
Sis. M. E. Sellers	1.00	Sis. Marie Bishop	1.00
Total	\$2.00	Total	\$5.00
Antioch, Pensacola—		Mt. Bethel, Bagdad—	
Rev. F. L. Daniel	1.00	Rev. M. S. Young	1.00
Rev. R. E. Cotton	1.00	Mrs. Roberta Young	1.00
Mrs. Har Cotton	1.00		
		Total	\$2.00
Total	\$4.00	Mt. Pilgrim, Bell Head—	
White Lily, Barth —		Sis. C. W. Carter	1.00
E. A. Armstrong	1.00	Sis. Willie Garden	1.00
R. L. Tyson	1.00	Rev. S. M. Carter	1.00
Total	\$3.00	Total	\$3.00
Pilgrim Lodge, Century—		St. John, Pensacola—	
Rev. G. W. Lovett	1.00	Dea. Robert Clay	1.00
Dea. Sam Hicks	1.00	Sis. Addie Brent	1.00
		Rev. A. P. Lee	1.00
Total	\$2.00	Total	\$3.00

St. James, Olive—		Sixth Ave, Pensacola—	
Dea. R. B. McCant	1.00	Rev. C. A. Raulston	1.00
Bro. J. C. Baker	1.00	Dea. Eddie Ward	1.00
Rev. W. M. Young	1.00	Dea. W. M. Washam	1.00
Sis. L. B. Walker	1.00	Bro. M. J. Jiles	1.00
		Sis. M.E. Crenshaw	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
Union, Molino—		Bethel, Barrineau Park—	
Dea. Richard Strong	1.00	Anthony Taylor	1.00
Sis. M. M. Blake	1.00	Rev. W. Hichardson	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>		
Pilgrim, Pensacola, Rev. C. A. White			1.00
Sunlight, Pensacola, Rev. E. Junior			1.00
St. Luke, Century, Rev. J. L. Moye			1.00
First Baptist, New Warrington, Rev. C. L. Austin			1.00
Pine Level, McDavid, Bro. R. D. Jefferson			1.00
Emanuel, Pensacola, Dea. Charlie Taylor			1.00
Spring Hill, Bay Spring, Rev. A. L. Darden			1.00
Mt. Gilead, Roberts, Rev. J. W. McCant			1.00
St. Matthew, Quintette, Rev. J. L. Brown			1.00
St. John Divine, Pensacola, Rev. F. A. Ellerby			1.00
St. Luke, Cantonment, Dea. John Webb			1.00
Mrs. L. Mitchell, Annual Member			1.00
Spring Hill, Pensacola, Dea. J. S. Tippen			1.00
Macedonia, Pensacola, Rev. J. S. Johnson			1.00
New Providence, Woodville, Dea. H. S. Fields			1.00
Little Rock, Pensacola, Rev. W. M. Johnson			1.00
H. H. Slacks			1.00
Rev. Z. E. English			1.00
	<b>Total</b>		<b>\$77.00</b>

### Financial Report of the Association—1938—Receipts

Through letters	\$207.00
From enrollment	77.00
Educational Rally	45.00
Public Collections	2.92
After Collection for Rev. G. O. Sumner	2.15
On Badges	5.75
From Mr. Burke and Mr. Kelly	3.00
Sunday 9:30 A. M. Sunday School	3.50
Sunday, 11 A. M. Church Services	8.01



3:00 P. M. for Decrepit Ministers	12.10
Received from S. S. Convention	59.53
Received from Women's Dist. Convention	52.50
Received from B. Y. P. U. Convention	10.86
Rev. T. E. Huntley	2.25

Total	\$491.57
Brought forward	7.50
Total	\$499.07

### Disbursement of Association—1938

To Trustees for education	\$176.11
To Trustees, return loan	18.43
Acme Print Shop, balance on minutes	38.25
To Acme Print Shop for badges	2.50
Acme Print Shop, Moderator's appeal	3.00
Acme Print Shop, for programs	6.50
Secretary's office for incidentals	6.19
Rev. M. S. Young, Moderator	20.00
Rev. J. O. Dixon, 1st Vice Moderator	5.00
S. E. Johnson, Recording Secretary	20.00
Mrs. E. J. Rivers, Cor. Secretary	5.00
Rev. J. W. Jackson, Statistician	7.00
Mrs. Addie Brent, Treasurer	5.00
Miss B. L. Hicks, Reporter	1.00
Prof. M. N. M. Bennett, Music Director	5.00
Mrs. F. D. Young, Organist	4.00
To Finance Committee	5.00
Union Baptist church, donation	7.00
Rev. W. M. Young, Pastor	6.00
To Sexton	2.00
Rev. Geo. O. Sumner, donation	5.00
Rev. W. M. Counts, donation	2.25
To Mrs. M. B. Carter, donation	2.00
Rev. J. C. Baker, District Missionary	5.00
Sunday, 9:30 A. M. S. S.	3.50
Sunday 11 A. M. Church services, Rev. M. S. Young, Moderator	4.01
Sunday 11 A. M., Church services Rev. W. M. Young Pastor	4.00
Sunday 3 P. M. Rev. Cary White, donation	3.00
" Rev. L. Hawthorne donation	3.00
" Rev. H. Joseph, donation	3.00
" Rev. Z. A. Watkins, donation	3.00

Rev. M. S. Young, Expense to N. B. C. -----	25.00
Representation fee to N. B. C. -----	25.00
Rev. M. S. Young, Expense to Gen. State Conv. ---	25.00
Representation fee to Gen. State Conv. -----	25.00
On New Minutes -----	19.03
<b>Total</b> -----	<b>\$499.77</b>

### Trustees Report for 1938—Receipts

Brought forward -----	\$362.90
Received from Association -----	194.54
	<b>\$557.44</b>

### Disbursement

To Working Board -----	\$ 15.00
To Secretary's office -----	11.96
To J. E. Daniel's Ins. Co. -----	60.50
To Committee of Bible Institute -----	50.00
Florida Memorial College -----	10.00
Expense of Bible Institute -----	241.00
	<b>388.46</b>
<b>Balance</b> -----	<b>\$168.98</b>

### Educational Rally—Barrineau Park

J. O. Dixon	2.00	F. L. Daniels	2.00
Rev. Lovett	2.00	Sis. West	.50
M. S. Young	2.00	Rev. Louman	1.00
W. M. Young	2.00	Sis. Carter	.50
S. E. Johnson	2.00	Sis. E. R. Waters	.25
J. W. Jackson	1.00	Sis. I. C. Byrd	.50
D. W. Webb	2.00	Sis. J. O. Dixon	.25
R. E. Cotton	1.00	Rev. Huntley	2.00
S. L. Leggett	2.00	Sis. L. Johnson	.25
Sis. Brent	2.00	Sis. Mitchell	.25
A. P. Lee	2.00	J. A. Clausell	2.00
V. Prather	1.00	J. T. Thomas	1.00
G. W. Gipson	1.00	Walter Richards	2.00
F. A. Ellerby	2.00	C. L. Austin	1.00
S. M. Carter	1.00	H. H. Slacks	1.00
Sis. Cary	1.00		



## CONSTITUTION

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### Article I—Name

This Association shall be known by the name of the First West Florida Missionary Baptist Association.

### Article II—Its Object

Section 1. Its object shall be to establish union among our churches upon proper principles, embracing discipline, government and organization. To encourage our brethren by all Christian means to a spirit of education, industry, self-reliance and especially spiritual advancement, and to sustain an institution of learning.

Section 2. To do all in our power to comply with the Commission of Christ to spread the gospel as far as our means will permit, here and in foreign land.

Section 3. The Association shall convene on Thursday and adjourn on Saturday night, ad. lib.

### Article III—Officers

Section 1. The Officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, and one or more Missionaries, Organist, Choirister, and Reporter.

Section 2. The duties of the Officers are such as are assigned to any officer of any deliberate body.

Section 3. The Missionaries shall be under the supervision of the Executive Board, which shall contract with them for their services. They shall report quarterly to the Board.

### Article IV—Executive Board

There shall be an Executive Board of thirteen members, the Officers of the Association and seven elected by the Association, including all pastors of the District as associate members.

### Article V—Its Duties

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to transact the business of the Association in its absence.

Section 2. The Board shall meet one day prior to the Annual Session to prepare its Annual Report.

## **Article VI—The Trustee Board**

This Association shall have a Trustee Board, consisting of nine (9), and one Financial Agent, three (3) Trustees of whom shall be elected at each Annual session of the Association, said Board to have control of the educational work of the District. This Board shall also be assisted by an Extension Board of twenty-five members, elected by the Association as follows:—nine (9) for one year, eight (8) for two years, and eight (8) for three years. Each officer and each member of the Board are assessed \$5.00 annually.

## **Article VII—Its Duties**

Section 1. This Board shall elect all teachers, pay them off, and see after the indebtedness of the school.

Section 2. All moneys received from any source shall be turned over to the Treasurer of the Board, and paid out by authority of the Board.

Section 3. The duty of the Financial Agent shall be to travel in the interest of the West Florida Baptist Academy, and collect funds, and report same to the Trustee Board. This Agent shall be elected by the Trustee Board

## **Article VIII—Membership**

Section 1. Any church wishing to represent in this Association may do so by letter or messenger.

Section 2. Each church shall be entitled to two (2) messengers to every 10 to 50 members, and one additional messenger to every fraction of fifty.

Section 3. Each church shall pay 25 cents per member for representation.

Section 4. Each messenger shall pay as annual enrollment fee the sum of \$1.00.

Section 5. Any regular Orthodox Baptist church may become a member of this Association by complying with the Constitution.

Section 6. Any member of a Missionary Baptist church in good and regular standing may become an Annual member by payment of \$1.00, and life membership by payment of \$5.00.



### Article IX

Section 1. This Association shall not interfere with the internal rights of the churches.

Section 2. The following sermons to be preached annually:—Introductory, Doctrinal, Educational, Temperance, Missionary, Sociological, and Evangelical.

Section 3. Friday and Saturday embracing each Fifth Sunday, and including the Fifth Sunday, shall be known as Ministers and Deacons' Union.

Section 4. The said Union to meet at places as may be voted on by those present during the sessions of the Union.

Section 5. The object of the Union shall be to raise finances and more systematically arrange the District financially, and keep in closer touch with each other as Christian workers.

### Article X

Any amendment to the Constitution must be presented in writing on the first day of the session.

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### BY-LAWS

Article 1. This Association shall have one or more Missionaries, who shall visit all churches belonging to the Association. He shall make an annual report to the visited by him during the year, and the amount collected by him from each church, the general standing and condition of the churches, their progress spiritually, also their value. His report shall embrace all matters of information connected with the churches, and each pastor of the different churches shall receive the Missionaries who are appointed with due courtesy, and recommend them to his members and congregation.

Article 2. This Association shall not recognize, nor receive any church having as members any person excluded from any other church.

Article 3. Any minister connected with a church of this Association, and he be known to preach any doctrine

diametrically inconsistent with its laws, shall be silenced, or dealt with for trespass.

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## ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Article 2. We believe the Old and New Testaments to be the revealed Mind and Will of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

Article 3. We believe in the doctrine of election, that Association, which report shall embrace all the churches God chose His people in Christ, before the world began.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 5. We believe in man's incapacity of his own free will and accord to recover himself from the fallen state in which he is by nature.

Article 6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the righteousness of Jesus Christ.

Article 7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, glorified and justified.

Article 8. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are only gospel ordinances; that immersion is the mode of baptism, and that believers are the only subjects.

Article 9. We believe that only the regularly baptized members in good standing have a right to the Lord's Table.

Article 10. We believe in the Resurrection of the dead, and general judgment, and that the joys of the Righteous and the punishment of the wicked, shall be everlasting.



# MINUTES

Of the WOMEN'S DISTRICT CONVENTION Auxiliary  
To The

FIRST WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Held With The

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH—MOLINO, FLORIDA

June 9 - 12—1938

Rev. William Young, Pastor

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## OFFICERS

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Pensacola, Fla.

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Missionary Sisters: C. White and E. J. Harris

Molino, Fla., June 9-12, 1398.

### Thursday Morning Session

The annual session of the Women's District Convention met in the Union Baptist Church. Procession led by Julia Robinson, Molino.

The President, Sister Virginia Prather, led in singing "Onward Christian Soldiers." Followed by prayer by Sister Trip from Molino, Fla. The devotional services were beautifully carried out by Sisters from Pilgrim Lodge, Century, Sister Jessie West; Union, Molino, Sister Trip; St. Paul, Millview, Sister Rosa Riggs.

23rd Psalm was read by Sister C. Page. The program was read and adopted, with necessary corrections.

The corrections were: instead of Mrs. M. J. Acklin discussing the subject, "Telling Others of Christ Through Service," 2: 30 P. M., the name of Mrs. L. Jones was inserted.

Mrs. Rivers has been asked to discuss "Telling Others of Christ Through Conduct," as Mrs. K. R. Jackson could not be present on account of death in her membership.

Mrs. J. O. Dixon will teach a Bible lesson in her husband's stead, as he will not be present at that hour.

Thursday, 7:30—Sermon by Rev. G. W. Lovett, instead of Rev. D. W. Webb, alternate, Rev. Daniels.

Friday, 8:00 A. M.—Social Period conducted by Sister E. J. Harris instead of Mrs. K. E. Sunday.

The President led in singing "Take My Hand Precious Lord." Committees were then appointed. Time was given for the reading of enrollment. Solo—Mrs. Waters.

Discussion—"Telling Others of Christ Through Service."

Solo—Mrs. G. W. Lovett of Mobile, Ala.

Visitors were then introduced, namely: Rev. G. O. Sumner, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Mrs. G. O. Sumner, Daytona, Beach, Fla.; Mrs. G. W. Lovett, Mobile, Ala.

A very instructive talk was given by our own Rev. G. O. Sumner.

Donation to Rev. Sumner	\$ 2.50
Public Collection	1.35
Enrollment of Circles	54.00
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	\$57.85

V. PRATHER, President  
B. L. HICKS, Secretary.



Thursday Afternoon, 3:00 P. M.

Molino, Fla., June, 1938

The Convention was called to order by the President. Song services were conducted by Sisters Addie Brent, Julia Salter, Jessie West.

100th Psalm was read by Mrs. J. Salter.

Solo—Mrs. E. J. Harris.

Mrs. E. Rivers beautifully discussed the subject "Telling Others of Christ Through Conduct."

A Bible lesson was taught by Mrs. C. F. Dixon. Her three-year-old daughter, Barbara Jean, sang, "I'll Take My Vacation in Heaven," which gave her mother a better determination to talk on the subject, "What is Important in Life."

Selection: "He'll Understand."

As Deacon Taylor was short of \$1.00 on his representation money, the convention gave him \$1.00, so his circle could represent.

Officers report:

Secretary — Miss B. L. Hicks.

Treasurer — Mrs. E. R. Waters.

Corresponding Secretary — Mrs. J. Salter.

Reporter — Mrs. J. O. Dixon.

Missionaries:

Sister C. White	-----	\$1.70
Sister R. Riggs	-----	1.00
Sister Gresham	-----	.50
Total	-----	\$3.20

Our Moderator, Rev. M. S. Young, presided during the presentation of our President, Mrs. V. Prather, by Mrs. C. F. Dixon, with very choice words, encouraged the women to deal with character in order to make this world better and happier.

The President's address was delivered with force and gave us food for thought. It was motioned and carried that her recommendations be given to the committee on recommendations. Election was next in order. The following were elected:

Mrs. V. Prather, President

Mrs. C. Cary, 1st Vice President

Mrs. J. West, 2nd vice President

Miss B. L. Hicks, Recording Secretary

Mrs. J. Salter, Corresponding Secretary

Mrs. E. R. Waters, Treasurer

Mrs. M. L. Crenshaw, Pianist

Mrs. E. Rivers, Music Directress

Mrs. C. F. Dixon, Reporter

Mrs. L. Mitchell, Directress Red Circle Girls

Missionaries: Mesdames C. White and E. J. Harris

From Missionaries	\$3.20
Donation Rev. G. O. Sumner	2.50
From public	1.35
From Circles	54.00

5:00 o'clock—Red Circle Girls Period.

Thursday night—7:30—Called to order by the President. Welcome from Molino circle. Solo by Mrs. G. W. Lovett. Prayer by Rev. Daniels. Scripture John 1:12. Sermon by Rev. G. W. Lovett, pastor of Pilgrim Lodge, Century, Fla. Text: And the word was made flesh and dwelt among us. Selection—I Shall not be Moved.

Installation of officers. Collection \$1.00. Adjourn.

V. PRATHER, President

B. L. HICKS, Secretary

Friday Morning 8:00 O'Clock

The Women's Convention was called to order by 1st Vice President, Mrs. C. Cary. Song services were conducted by Sisters N. Davis and R. Cotton. Cotton and 23rd Psalms was read by Mrs. Davis. Mrs. M. Crenshaw discussed the subject: Telling Others of Christ through Giving.

Solo—Little Barbara Jean Dixon

Solo—Mrs. Walker. Social period conducted by Sisters F. Young, Wm. Young, Mary Mixon. Title: An Old Fashion Program.

Collection \$1.21; donation \$2.25. Total \$3.46.

SISTER V. PRATHER, President

SISTER B. L. HICKS, Secretary

Saturday Morning

Called to order by the President. Devotions conducted by messengers from John the Baptist church, Pensacola, Fla. and Union, Molino.

The President gave some very wholesome information concerning the district. The minutes were received and adopted with necessary corrections. All committees



made their reports. Memorial services were conducted by the committee. Some of the Circles agreed to raise \$5 on the President's trip to the National Convention.

The Quarterly meetings will be held at the churches named:

August 26, 1938—Trinity church, Rev. D. W. Webb, pastor.

Dec. 1938—Pilgrim Lodge, Century, Rev. G. W. Lovett, pastor.

March, 1939—Emanuel church, Pensacola, Rev. C. White, pastor.

Amount of money raised ----- \$113.01

### Financial Report

From Letters -----	\$ 90.25
Public collection -----	3.56
From Missionaries -----	3.20
From Enrollment -----	16.00
<b>Total raised -----</b>	<b>\$113.01</b>

### Donations

Rev. G. O. Sumner -----	\$2:75
Mrs. Lovett -----	2.25
<b>Total -----</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>

Committee: Mesdames C. F. Dixon, N. Davis, J. Salter, C. White, A. Brent, E. R. Waters.

### Report of Corresponding Secretary

Pensacola, Fla., June 9, 1938

To the Womens District Convention, Auxiliary to the First West Florida District Association: I wish to submit the following report to this Convention as Corresponding Secretary. I sent programs to 24 churches; one returned unclaimed. Expense attached to this report 60c for stationery and stamps.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. W. SALTER.

### Committee on Temperance

Pensacola, Fla., June 9, 1938

Madame President, Officers and Members of the Association—We your Committee on Temperance beg leave to

make our report. We find that the world in which we live, has become intemperate. Our city or community, our homes, even our young and old have forgotten the principles of God's teaching in regards to temperance.

We therefore highly endorse any move that may be put forth in our community for the benefit of a more temperate community.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee: Sisters Mary Hardy, Rozalee Bradford,  
Byrd, Mary Cartie, Bishop, J. A. Nichols, J. West.

### Report of the Reporter

Pensacola, Fla., June 9, 1938

To the Womens District Convention:

As your Reporter I submit this my annual report. I reported the doings of this session to the Colored Citizen only. There is no expense attached to this report.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. C. F. DIXON

### Enrollment—Each Paying 25c

Mrs. V. Prather	Rev. J. A. Clausell
Miss B. L. Hicks	Mrs. Willie Isler
Mrs. N. Davis	Mrs. Emily Davis
Mrs. Roberta Young	Mrs. L. J. Lyons
Mrs. L. A. Brown	Mrs. Patsey Echoe
Mrs. E. J. Rivers	Mrs. Carrie Cary
Rev. M. S. Young	Mrs. R. L. Bradford
Mrs. Lillie Donald	Mrs. C. Paige
Mrs. M. L. Crenshaw	Mrs. C. White
Mrs. Mary Fannie Maldin	Mrs. Mary Mixon
Mrs. Addie Brent	Mrs. Jessie West
Mrs. Ruth O'Neal	Rev. G. W. Lovett
Mrs. Sarah Livingston	Rev. G. O. Sumner
Mrs. C. C. Blackstone	Mrs. M. E. Sellers
Mrs. C. B. Dixon	Mrs. Ilar L. Cotton
Rev. J. O. Dixon	Rev. F. L. Daniels
Mrs. E. J. Harris	Mrs. Lelia Mitchell
Mrs. Bessie Marshall	Rev. D. W. Webb
Mrs. Joanna McCaskill	Mrs. E. R. Waters
Mrs. Mary Carter	Mrs. Marie Bishop
Mrs. J. W. Salter	Rev. T. E. Huntley
Mrs. L. Ralph	Mrs. B. M. Sumner



Rev. C. A. White  
 Mrs. Rosa Riggs Sanders  
 Mrs. Clara Smith  
 Mrs. Lonnie Jones  
 Mrs. Laura Giles  
 Mrs. J. A. Nicholson  
 Mrs. Marie Young  
 Mrs. Mary Hill  
 Rev. S. L. Leggett  
 Mrs. I. C. Byrd

Mrs. Ada Clausell  
 Mrs. L. B. Walker  
 Mrs. M. Tripp  
 Dea. Chas. Taylor  
 Mrs. Eliza Lewis  
 Mrs. Irene Walker  
 Mrs. S. J. Baker  
 Rev. A. P. Lee  
 Mrs. G. W. Lovett  
 Mrs. C. Alexander

Committee: Mrs. M. L. Crenshaw, chairman; Mesdames L. A. Brown, L. J. Lyons, Jessie West, Roberta Young, Patsey Echoe, Emily Davis, E. J. Rivers, Sec.

### Memorial of the Deceased Since Last Meeting

Pilgrim Lodge, Century—Sister Fannie Gilchrist  
 Mt. Zion church, Pensacola—Sallie V. McNeal  
 Morning Star, Pensacola—Eliza Hall; Cealy Ruste  
 St. John, Pensacola—Sister Frances Green  
 Trinity, Pensacola—Mrs. Angelee Walker, Mrs. Virginia  
 Lennox, Mrs. Christine Thrash, Mrs. Arna Boyd, Mrs.  
 Mattie Smiley.  
 Lewis, Mrs. Lola Haley, Mrs. Hazel E. Taylor, Mrs. Mat-  
 Mt. Olive church—Mrs. Lola Montgomery, Mrs. Martha  
 tie Hines, Mrs. Nora Smith  
 John the Baptist—Sisters Eddie Lee Boston, Millie Adams.  
 Sixth Avenue—Phyllis Demins, Sarah King Stone  
 Union, Molino—Sister M. Harris  
 Pilgrim, Pensacola—Hattie Stone  
 Mt. Bethel, Bagdad—Daisy McBride

**N. B.—The next session of the Association and Convention will be held with Trinity Baptist church, Pensacola, Fla., Rev. D. W. Webb, Pastor.**

### Disbursement

For education	\$ 41.50
For Minutes	11.00
President's donation	8.00
1st Vice President	3.00
2nd Vice President	2.00
Recording Secretary	12.00
Corresponding Secretary	5.00
Representation fee to the State Conv. (Pres.)	10.00

Pianist .....	2.00
To Directress .....	1.50
To Sexton .....	1.50
To Reporter .....	1.00
To Treasurer .....	5.05
For Programs .....	4.00
To Missionaries .....	3.00
For Besefit Board .....	2.50

Total disbursement ..... \$113.01

Red Circle Girls raised \$24.05

Directress .....	\$6.00
Expenses .....	.50
President Red Circle Girls .....	1.00
Vice President .....	.50
Secretary .....	.50
Treasurer .....	.50

Total ..... \$9.00

Committee: C. Cary, E. R. Waters, L. Lyons, J. Salter, N. Davis, B. L. Hicks, Secretary

## CONSTITUTION OF THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

### Article—I

This Convention shall be known as the Woman's Home Foreign and Educational District Convention, Auxiliary to the First West Florida Baptist Association.

### Article II—Object

The object of this Convention shall be to promote the cause of Christ by developing in the women of our churches a knowledge of His Word, and a desire to do His Will especially in striving to give the gospel to the destitute in our own and other lands, and to work for the promotion of the West Florida Baptist College, Pensacola, Fla.

### Article III—Membership

All messengers sent up from their various Circles will enroll with 25 cents, and any woman in good and regular standing with her church may become an annual mem-



ber by paying 25c, and will be entitled to all privileges except voting and holding office. Men who are not sent up as delegates may become annual members by paying 25 cents.

#### Article IV—Officers

The Officers of this Convention shall be President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Pianist, Missionaries.

#### Article V—Executive Board

The Executive Board shall be three from each Society represented as far as practicable. They shall have power to carry out the object of the Convention, and not to fill vacancies, and in general, do every thing necessary to secure the full organization of the women of this District, provided, always they conform to this Constitution. The Executive Board shall consist of all members from each Society, including Officers. Five shall constitute a quorum.

#### Article VI

Each Circle shall represent with \$5.00, and five delegates including the Pastor. \$1.00 for each additional delegate.

#### Article VII

Each local Missionary shall see to it and be responsible for the organization of a Junior Circle in connection with its church.

#### Article VIII

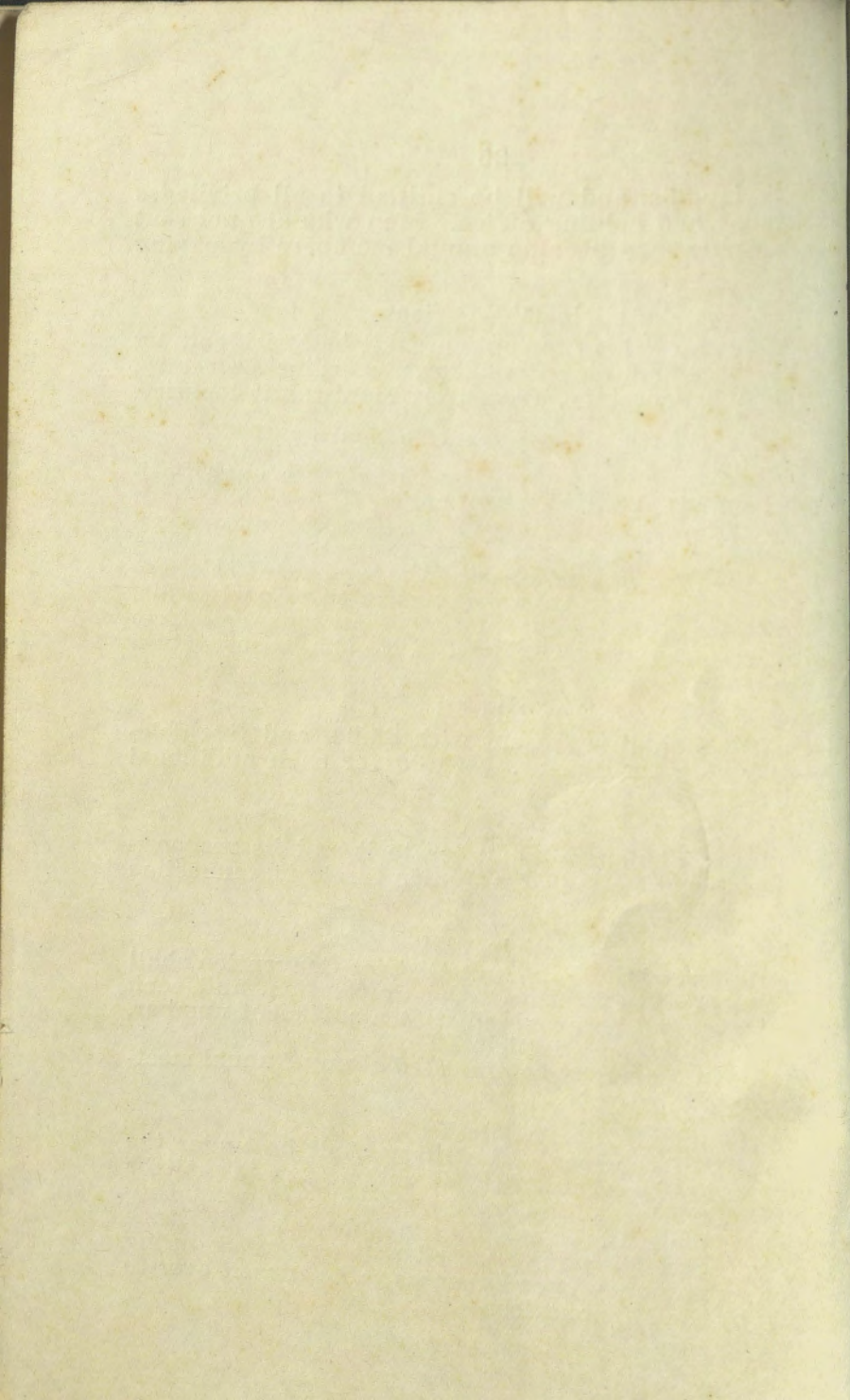
The Minutes of the Women's District Convention shall be printed at the expense of the Convention, and each local Society shall be provided with a sufficient number.

#### Article IX

This Constitution may be amended at any Annual meeting by a two-third vote.

#### Article X

The work of the local Missionary shall be under the supervision of the Women's Convention, and it shall be the duty of the local Missionaries to make an annual report to this body at the meeting in June, at which time they will report all monies raised and expended during the year. All money over expenses to be turned over to the body by the Missionaries.





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